

INLAND WATERWAYS USERS BOARD MEETING NO. 95 STATUS OF IHNC LOCK REPLACEMENT GRR AND SEIS



USACE – New Orleans District
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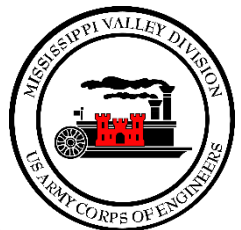
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- Final Report transmitted to HQUSACE in October 2019
- USACE must finish additional tasks to produce a sound and defensible report (i.e. another exemption request).
- Potential legal challenges.
- Highly controversial lock replacement project.
- Continue to build trust and confidence with the public.



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EXISTING IHNC LOCK

Claiborne Ave. Bridge
North of the existing lock

Existing Lock

St. Claude Ave. Bridge



RECOMMENDED LOCK REPLACEMENT

New Lock Replacement

St. Claude

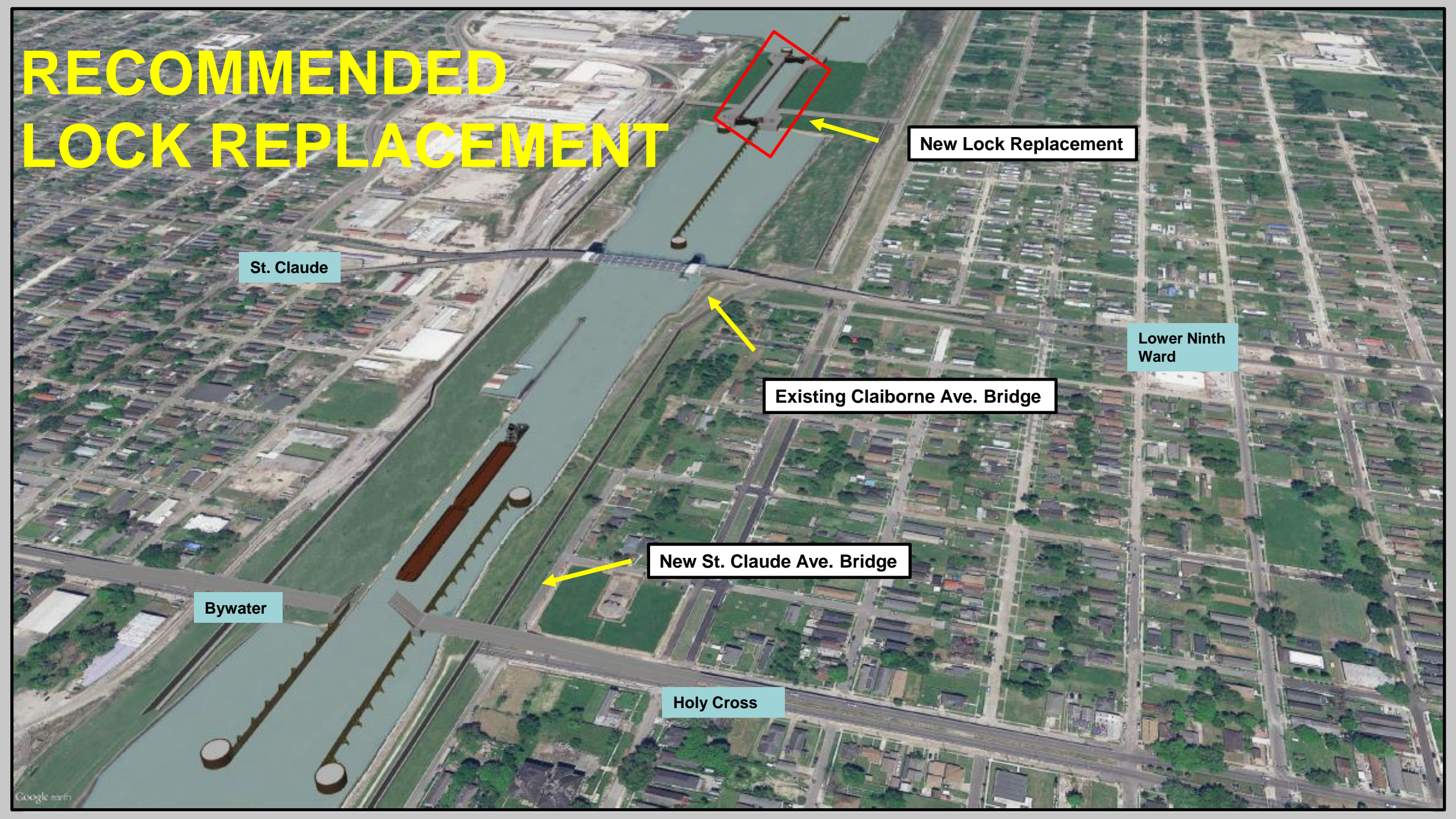
Lower Ninth
Ward

Existing Claiborne Ave. Bridge

New St. Claude Ave. Bridge

Bywater

Holy Cross





GENERAL RE-EVALUATION REPORT (GRR) AND SUPPLEMENTAL EIS TIMELINE



Jan 2015 Initiated GRR and SEIS

Mar 2015 Alternatives Milestone

Oct 2016 TSP Milestone (110ft x 900ft x 22ft, BCR 4.1, \$1.5B)

Dec 2017 Draft Integrated report Submittal to EPA

Apr 2017 Public Review ended (Includes request for time extension)

Jun 2017 Agency Decision Milestone (additional work required in Sep 2017)

Oct 2017 1st 3x3x3 Exemption Approved (add'l \$1.435M and 30 months extension to Sep 2019)

Oct 2019 Final report Transmittal to HQ

Jan 2020 HQUSACE memo detailing additional needs for policy compliance for GRR/SEIS

Fall 2020 Preparing 3x3x3 Exemption Request



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DETAILS OF CURRENT 3X3X3 REQUEST

- Requesting an additional \$2,075,000 and 29.5 months to conduct
- Tentative Final Report Date June 2023
- Tasks to be completed for GRR via this exemption:
 - Amended Memorandum of Agreement (AMOA)
 - Community Impact Mitigation Plan (CIMP)
 - Traffic Mitigation Program (TMP)
 - Hazardous, Toxic, and Radioactive Waste (HTRW)
- The above tasks provide an appropriate level of analysis to meet policy and legal requirements and will demonstrate a good faith effort to evaluate impacts to the public



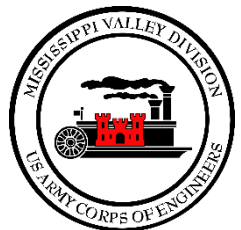
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NEXT STEPS



- Submit 3x3x3 Exemption Request to ASA(CW) for review and approval
(Currently in Routing between MVN/MVD)
- Upon approval and after receipt of additional funding, initiate tasks detailed in the 3x3x3 Exemption Request
- Submit final GRR and SEIS document in June 2023



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Questions?

